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## Continuing Street Sweeps Net 22 Including Two Charged in Shootings; Brings Total Arrested to 203

JERSEY CITY – Another in a continuing series of successful anti-crime street operations last night and early today **resulted in 22 arrests**, including two men charged in separate shootings.

Approximately 70 uniformed and plain-clothed officers from the Jersey City Police Department and the Hudson County Sheriff's Office fanned out in known crime areas after a roll call addressed by **Mayor Steven M. Fulop**.

On-going street operations have been a signature part of the Mayor's anti-crime initiatives and have resulted in <u>more than 203 arrests to date</u>. Additionally, earlier this month, Mayor Fulop deployed a Shooting Response Team of seasoned detectives, which investigates every non-fatal shooting in the city.

"We are taking an aggressive approach to the historic problems that have been facing our communities as it relates to public safety," said **Mayor Fulop**. "We are using tactics that are yielding results, and we will continue to apply pressure on those individuals who seek to disrupt the safety and well-being of our neighborhoods."

The Shooting Response Team, also known as the Ceasefire Squad, worked with other officers to investigate and arrest Myron Williams, 19, of Jersey City, and charge him in connection with a shooting on August 22nd at Union Street and Arlington Avenue. Police also arrested Ty-wan Troy, 20, also of Jersey City, and charged him in a shooting that occurred early today in which he was also shot.

During the operation, investigators responded to Union Street around 1:30 am on a report of multiple gunshots. Police found witnesses who reported hearing the shots, as well as evidence of gunplay. The investigation then led Shooting Response Team investigators to a house on Randolph Avenue where they found a wounded Troy, who they determined had been shot in an exchange in which he was also a shooter.

Investigators also found Williams at the location. Williams was sought by Shooting Response Team members for the August 22nd incident as a result of intelligence they developed earlier in the sweep.

"We had a very successful night last night, taking two shooting suspects off the street," said **Acting Public Safety Director James R. Shea**. "The arrests last night show we are in the right place at the right time. They are an example of intelligence-based police work, which will continue."

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In addition to Williams and Troy, arrests included:

Jeremy Rennick, 22, possessions of CDS

Malik Wiggins, 19, possession of CDS

Darius Thomas, 19, possession of CDS with intent to distribute and open warrants

George T. Smith, 40, possession of CDS, open warrants

Herby Antoine-Fils, 50, possession of CDS and open warrants

Khalid McClenton, 23, possession of CDS

Tamika A Haig, 24, possession of CDS

Jason Hardy, 21, possession of CDS, open warrants.

Fabian Metover, 43, possession of CDS, open warrants

Crystal Rivera, 30, hindering and assault on a police officer

Rahsaan Jackson, 22, hindering apprehension, open warrants

Megan Wisniewski, 23, tampering with evidence

Anitha A. Elliot, 26, open warrants

Gerome Crutcher, 19, open warrant

Vincent Baker, 30, open warrants

Michael Simeus, 19, open warrants

Cary Donawa, 20, open warrants

Darrin Carnery, 20, open warrants

Two additional suspects were processed by the Hudson County Sheriff's Department.

During the course of the sweep, the JCPD's ABC Unit also inspected 13 liquor establishments – bars and liquor stores – that have been the source of ongoing complaints. Two summonses were issued and inspections will continue.

Officers also issued summonses for violations of city ordinances, including public drinking, loud music, blocking entry or passage and curfew violations, as well as motor vehicle violations.

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